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DIVISION OF MARKET REGULATION

ANNUAL AUDITED REPORT
FORM X-17A-5 (A)
PART III

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Information Required of Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Section 17 of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17a-5 ThereunderREPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 1/15/09 AND ENDING 12/31/09
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: Morgan Stanley Distribution, Inc.

ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)

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FIRM I.D. NO.

(No. and Street)

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS REPORT

(Area Code - Telephone Number)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report*

Deloitte & Touche LLP

(Name - if individual, state last, first, middle name)

(Address)

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

CHECK ONE:

- ☐ Certified Public Accountant
- ☐ Public Accountant
- ☐ Accountant not resident in United States or any of its possessions.

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*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See Section 240.17a-5(e)(2)

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

To the Board of Directors and Stockholder of
Morgan Stanley Distribution, Inc.
100 Front Street, Suite 400
West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2881

In accordance with Rule 17a-5(e)(4) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, we have performed the procedures enumerated below with respect to the accompanying Transitional Assessment Reconciliation (Form SIPC-7T) to the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) for the period from April 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009 which were agreed to by Morgan Stanley Distribution, Inc. (the "Company") and the Securities and Exchange Commission, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., and SIPC, solely to assist you and the other specified parties in evaluating the Company's compliance with the applicable instructions of the Form SIPC-7T. The Company's management is responsible for the Company's compliance with those requirements. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose. The procedures we performed and our findings are as follows:

1. Compared the listed assessment payments in Form SIPC-7T with respective cash disbursement records entries (accounts payable requisitions with appropriate level of signoff and related expense journal entries), and noted no differences.
2. Compared the total revenue amounts of the audited Form X-17A-5 for the thirteen-month period ended December 31, 2009, less revenues reported on the Financial and Operational Combined Uniform Single (FOCUS) reports for the period from January 1, 2009 to March 31, 2009, as applicable, with the amounts reported in Form SIPC-7T for the period from April 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009 and noted a difference of \$7,855.
3. Compared the adjustments reported in Form SIPC-7T with supporting schedules and the Company's December 2009 SIPC-7T working papers, and noted no differences.
4. Proved the arithmetical accuracy of the calculations reflected in Form SIPC-7T and in the related schedules and the Company's December 2009 SIPC-7T working papers supporting the adjustments, and noted no differences.

We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on compliance with the applicable instructions of the Form SIPC-7T. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the specified parties listed above and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Deloitte & Touche LLP

February 25, 2010

SIPC-7T

(28-REV 10/09)

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION
 805 15th St. N.W. Suite 800, Washington, D.C. 20005-2215
 202-371-8300

Transitional Assessment Reconciliation**SIPC-7T**

(28-REV 10/09)

(Read carefully the instructions in your Working Copy before completing this Form)

TO BE FILED BY ALL SIPC MEMBERS WITH FISCAL YEAR ENDINGS

1. Name of Member, address, Designated Examining Authority, 1934 Act registration no. and month in which fiscal year ends for purposes of the audit requirement of SEC Rule 17a-5:

8-044766 FINRA NOV 4/17/1992
 MORGAN STANLEY DISTRIBUTION INC
 ATTN: SEAN DRISCOLL
 522 FIFTH AVENUE
 NEW YORK, NY 10036

Note: If any of the information shown on the mailing label requires correction, please e-mail any corrections to orm@sipc.org and so indicate on the form filed.

Name and telephone number of person to contact respecting this form.

Joseph D'Avia 212-276-2584

2. A. General Assessment [item 2e from page 2 (not less than \$150 minimum)] \$ 150
- B. Less payment made with SIPC-6 filed (exclude interest) (150)
- 1/20/09
Date Paid
- C. Less prior year overpayment applied (0)
- D. Assessment balance due or (overpayment) 0
- E. Interest computed on late payment (see instruction E) for 0 days at 20% per annum 0
- F. Total assessment balance and interest due (or overpayment carried forward) \$ 0
- G. PAID WITH THIS FORM:
 Check enclosed, payable to SIPC
 Total (must be same as F above) \$ 0
- H. Overpayment carried forward \$(0)

3. Subsidiaries (S) and predecessors (P) included in this form (give name and 1934 Act registration number):

None

The SIPC member submitting this form and the person by whom it is executed represent thereby that all information contained herein is true, correct and complete.

Morgan Stanley Distribution, Inc.
 (Name of Corporation, Partnership or other organization)

[Signature]
 (Authorized Signature)

Dated the 24 day of February, 2010.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONS PRINCIPAL
 (Title)

This form and the assessment payment is due 60 days after the end of the fiscal year. Retain the Working Copy of this form for a period of not less than 6 years, the latest 2 years in an easily accessible place.

SIPC REVIEWER

Dates: Postmarked Received Reviewed

Calculations Documentation

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Exceptions:

Disposition of exceptions:

DETERMINATION OF "SIPC NET OPERATING REVENUES" AND GENERAL ASSESSMENT

Amounts for the fiscal period
beginning April 1, 2009
and ending Dec. 31, 2009
Eliminate cents

Item No.

2a. Total revenue (FOCUS Line 12/Part IIA Line 9, Code 4030)

\$ 1,363,031

2b. Additions:

- (1) Total revenues from the securities business of subsidiaries (except foreign subsidiaries) and predecessors not included above.
- (2) Net loss from principal transactions in securities in trading accounts.
- (3) Net loss from principal transactions in commodities in trading accounts.
- (4) Interest and dividend expense deducted in determining item 2a.
- (5) Net loss from management of or participation in the underwriting or distribution of securities.
- (6) Expenses other than advertising, printing, registration fees and legal fees deducted in determining net profit from management of or participation in underwriting or distribution of securities.
- (7) Net loss from securities in investment accounts.

Total additions

16,845,409

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2c. Deductions:

- (1) Revenues from the distribution of shares of a registered open end investment company or unit investment trust, from the sale of variable annuities, from the business of insurance, from investment advisory services rendered to registered investment companies or insurance company separate accounts, and from transactions in security futures products.
- (2) Revenues from commodity transactions.
- (3) Commissions, floor brokerage and clearance paid to other SIPC members in connection with securities transactions.
- (4) Reimbursements for postage in connection with proxy solicitation.
- (5) Net gain from securities in investment accounts.
- (6) 100% of commissions and markups earned from transactions in (i) certificates of deposit and (ii) Treasury bills, bankers acceptances or commercial paper that mature nine months or less from issuance date.
- (7) Direct expenses of printing advertising and legal fees incurred in connection with other revenue related to the securities business (revenue defined by Section 16(9)(L) of the Act).
- (8) Other revenue not related either directly or indirectly to the securities business.
(See Instruction C):

18,198,900

- (9) (i) Total interest and dividend expense (FOCUS Line 22/PART IIA Line 13, Code 4075 plus line 2b(4) above) but not in excess of total interest and dividend income.

\$ 5,919

- (ii) 40% of interest earned on customers securities accounts (40% of FOCUS line 5, Code 3960).

\$ 0

Enter the greater of line (i) or (ii)

Total deductions

5,919

18,204,819

\$ 3,621

\$ 150

(to page 1 but not less than
\$150 minimum)

2d. SIPC Net Operating Revenues

2e. General Assessment @ .0025